EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2016-36

WHEREAS, effective at 3:00 PM on October 4, 2016, the undersigned issued Executive Order 2016-27, ordering a mandatory medical evacuation of healthcare facilities licensed by the Department of Health and Environmental Control ("Department") located in Hampton County; and

WHEREAS, effective at 3:00 PM on October 4, 2016, the undersigned issued Executive Order 2016-30, ordering a mandatory medical evacuation of health care facilities licensed by the Department to reflect updated zones, which included Hampton County in the list; and

WHEREAS, these decisions were made due to the force of Hurricane Matthew and the imminent threat to the safety, security, and welfare of the residents and patients of coastal healthcare facilities, and considered necessary for the preservation of life or other emergency mitigation, response, or recovery; and

WHEREAS, it has been made known to me by the Department that the effects of Hurricane Matthew and conditions throughout Hampton County no longer poses an imminent threat to the life, health, safety or welfare of healthcare facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, I hereby rescind the medical evacuation order for Hampton County, effective at 3 PM, October 9, 2016.

FURTHER, nothing in this Order prohibits local officials from restricting access to areas of dangers for the welfare of and safety of healthcare facility residents and visitors during the recovery period.
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FURTHER, all healthcare facilities in Hampton County should take due caution to travel safely across roads and bridges in returning, and understand that portions of these areas and/or their home may be without power.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


NIKKI R. HALEY
Governor

ATTEST:

MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State